

HE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

ALBECK et al.

Confirmation No. 6350

Serial No. 10/025,175

Group Art Unit: 2673

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Examiner: D. Lewis

For:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ACCURATE ALIGNMENT OF IMAGES IN DIGITAL IMAGING SYSTEMS BY MATCHING POINTS IN THE IMAGES

CORRESPONDING TO SCENE ELEMENTS

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a full and complete response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2005. The three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on May 23, 2005. Thus, a petition for a one-month extension of time is filed with this Response and Amendment.

Initially, Applicants thank the Examiner for the interview held on May 23, 2005. Entry of this Response and Amendment is respectfully requested since it is believed to place the application in condition for allowance or in better condition for appeal and does not raise any new issues that require further consideration and/or search.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in a listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 18 of this paper.